(b) whether, on a following day they were-allowed;, to perform their journey after having stayed overnight in a Gurudwara;

(O if so, the details;

(d) whether Air-India authorities failed to avoidc such a situations towards sportsmen returning after play; and

(e) if so; the- details?

THE MINISTER: OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAVRAO SCINDIA): (a) The Team decided on their own not to board, the flight since they wanted time,:to, sort out the. excess baggage problem.

(b) and (c) The Team scheduled to travel by flight' AI-403 of 29th October, 1951 from Singapore, subsequently left, by- Air India flight No. AI-407 on 31st October, 1991.

(d); No, Sir In fact Air India extended: ali possible assistance and concessions' to the Team.

(e) Does not arise.

Expenditure incurred day IndianAirlines on inmgnral function for ite winter schedule

232 SHRI N. E. BALARAM: Will the Mtttnrtsr- of CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM be pleased to state:

(a) whether Indian Airlinea made elaborate arrangements at its different centres for celebrating inaugural functions of itsrwdhter schedule from November,' 1; 1991;

(b) if so, the details in this regard;

(c) total amount spent fo these functions?

(d) whether goests were- given gifts on the occasion;

(e) if so, the nature′ of, gifts and totol amount spent for gifts; and

(f) whether, these activities are in conflrmity with the drive for economy in Government expenditure?

THE MINISTER OF CIVIL AVIATION AND TOURISM (SHRI MADHAV RAO SCINDIA): (a) and (b) No, Sir. Simple functions were organised on limited scale at limited locations. The invitees comprised mainly of local Press leading citizens and representatives of the. people.

(c) The amount spent was negligible .
(d) No, Sir.
(e) Does not' arise.
(f) Yes, Sir.

Fall in prices of nylon filament yarn, polyester filament yarn and polyester staple fibre

233. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the* prices of Nylon Filament Yarn, Polyester Filament Yarn and Polyester Staple Fitae have registered a fall in relation to -the fair selling prices as worked out by the BICP;

(b) whether prices of raw materials (both imported and indigenous) that go into the production. of the. said items have registered: a sharp increase; if so, what are the reasons for the, same; and

(c) what remedial measures are .beting taken by Government to ease the situation in the interest of consumers?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF TEXTILES-(SHRI ASHOK'GEHLOT): (a) While the selling prices of Polyester Staple Fibre and Polyester Filament Yarn are marginally above the BICP nor-